Addendum

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§8-32 Weapons

Possession or use of weapon by a student while under the control or supervision of school system personnel or on school property is prohibited. The term "weapon" is intended to be construed broadly and includes any instrument or device which, by its design or use is capable of causing injury, harm, or threat of injury, harm, or threat of injury or harm to the physical well-being of another person. A "weapon" as used in this policy includes, but is not limited to, the following:

Category A:

1. Any stun weapon or taser;
2. Any pistol, shotgun, rifle, revolver, or other weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind whether loaded or unloaded, whether operable or inoperable;
3. Any dirk, Bowie knife, switchblade, ballistic knife, any knife with a blade three inches or longer, or razor, slingshot, spring stick, brass or metal knuckles, or black jack;
4. Any flailing instrument consisting of two or more rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as nunchahka, nun chuck nunchaku, shurlken, or fighting chain;
5. Any disc of whatever configuration, having at

least two points or pointed blades, and which is designed to be thrown as a throwing star or oriental dart;

6. Any weapons of like kind as those enumerated in items 1 through 5 hereof;
7. Any weapon, including a starter gun, which will, or is designed or may readily be converted to, expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or the frame or recalver of any such weapon;
8. Any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; or
9. Any "destructive device" defined as (1) any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas, bomb, grenade, rocket; (2) any weapon, including shotguns; and (3) any combination of parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device described in this subsection and from which a destructive device may be readily assembled. "Destructive device" shall not include any device which is not designed or redesigned for use as a weapon and which is redesigned for use as a signaling, pyrotechnic, line-throwing, safety, or other similar device.

Category B:

1. Any knife or other instrument or device, not included in Category A, having as a part thereof a blade designed to cut or a point designed to penetrate.
2. Any instrument or device, not included in Category A, which has as one of its designed purposes use thereof as a weapon.
3. Any chemical or chemical compound that produces an adverse effect on the normal functions of the human body.
4. Any instrument, device, or substance, not included in Category A, which could injure, harm, endanger, or induce fear in another person. Including "toy" or "look-alike" weapons.

Penalties for Violation. Any student who violates this policy with respect to a Category A weapon shall be expelled from Loudoun County Public Schools (the School Board may, however, determine, based on the facts of the particular case, that special circumstances exist and another disciplinary action or term of expulsion is appropriate). Any student in violation of any other terms of this policy shall be subject to expulsion from Loudoun County Public Schools, or to such lesser disciplinary action, including long-term suspension, as may be deemed appropriate.